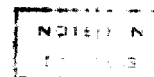ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO
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February 14, 1952

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Loftus E. Becker
        Deputy Director – Intelligence
        Central Intelligence Agency
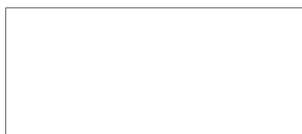
        Subject: Request for Financial Information concerning
                  the CIA Research Program

        PSB is conducting a survey of the social science research
which has a potential value to political and economic warfare.
Among other things, this survey is attempting to determine the
financial magnitude of the effort. Mr. Loomis of PSB has talked
at some length with Dr. Millikan of your agency concerning the
ORR program. However, he does not have accurate fiscal data.
I would appreciate it very much if you could give us the answers
to the following questions:

    (a) In fiscal year 1952, what was the total research budget
         of ORR? How much of the total was performed within CIA?
         How much was contracted to other government agencies?
         How much was contracted to non-profit organizations? How
         much was contracted to commercial organizations?

    (b) In fiscal year 1952, how much was spent on economic research?
         How much was spent studying the Soviet Orbit? (These two
         are not mutually exclusive.)

    (c) Of the total described in (a) above, how much was spent
         studying targets? How much in studying weapons and weapons
         effects? How much in evaluating past action? How much in
         basic or methodological research?

I realize that it might well be difficult to answer these questions accurately, and we will be satisfied with the best estimates you can give us quickly. Mr. Loomis will be available for discussion if required.

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C. Tracy Barnes
Deputy Director

Lofty: Henry Loomis came to us from his job as Special Assistant to the Chairman of RDB (OSD). He has been concentrating on this study and working on it with the Bureau of the Budget. The figures requested have been obtained from the other government research agencies and these will fill out the picture. Millikan gave some rough figures but without checking—too rough to use.

Thanks.

Tracy

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REMARKS: *Doubt that you can supply this information. Note they need it quickly*

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